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LISTING OF CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Please amend claims 1-13, without prejudice as follows:

(currently amended) A composition for abating hydrogen sulfide emissions comprising: a
combination of Fuller's earth and a metal compound formulated to eliminate at least 0.01
grams of H₂S per gram of composition; a fragrance, a benzaldehyde, citronella,
eucalyptus and water.

 (currently amended) The composition of claim 1 further comprising method of claim 13, wherein the composition comprises a fragrance, a benzaldehyde, citronella, eucalyptus and water.

3. (currently amended) The composition method of claim 12, wherein the metal compound is silver nitrate or silver nitrate solution.

4. (currently amended) The composition method of elaim 12, wherein the metal compound is ferric sulfate or ferric sulfate solution.

5. (currently amended) The composition method of claim 1claim 12, wherein the metal compound is copper sulfate or copper sulfate solution.

6. (currently amended) The composition method of claim 1claim 12, wherein the metal compound is a mixture of silver nitrate and zinc sulfate solutions.

7. (currently amended) The composition method of claim 1claim 12, wherein the Fuller's earth is comprised of magnesium silicate, aluminum silicate or combinations thereof.

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- (currently amended) The eomposition method of elaim 1claim 12, wherein the metal compound is present in the composition in an amount from about 1 ppm to about 5,000 ppm.
- (currently amended) The composition method of claim 12, wherein the Fuller's earth is present in an amount from about 70% wt. to about 85% wt.
- 10. (currently amended) The composition of elaim-2claim 1, wherein the fragrance is present in an amount from about 1% wt. to about 2% wt.
- 11. (currently amended) The composition of elaim 2claim 1, wherein the benzaldehyde is present in an amount from about 1% wt. to 4% wt.
- 12. (currently amended) A method of reducing landfill gas, comprising using the composition of claim 1 comprising: mixing the a composition formed by combining Fuller's earth and a metal compound formulated to eliminate at least 0.01 grams of H₂S per gram of composition with landfill material and applying the mixture to the surface of a landfill.
- 13. (currently amended) A method of reducing landfill gas, comprising using the composition of claim 1 comprising: applying a layer of the a composition formed by combining

 Fuller's earth and a metal compound formulated to eliminate at least 0.01 grams of H₂S per gram of composition on the surface of a landfill, wherein said layer has a minimum average thickness of 2 cm.
- 14. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the layer comprises at least about 65 tons of the composition per acre of landfill.

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- 15. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the layer comprises from about
 - 65 tons to 75 tons of the composition per acre of landfill.